IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA ERIE

JONATHAN A. BORDEN and)	
AMY P. BORDEN,)	
Plaintiffs)	
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v.)	NO. 04-175 E
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AMICA MUTUAL INSURANCE	,)	
COMPANY,)	
Defendant)	

RESPONSES TO DEFENDANT'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS TO PLAINTIFFS

AND NOW, come JONATHAN A. BORDEN and AMY P. BORDEN, by and through their attorneys, MacDonald, Illig, Jones & Britton LLP, and file Responses to Defendant's Request for Admissions to Plaintiffs as follows:

FIRST REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The insurance policy specifically sets forth policy conditions applicable to this loss. The policy conditions provide that the insured/plaintiffs have the following duties after the loss:

B. Duties After Loss

In case of a loss to covered property, we have no duty to provide coverage under this policy if the failure to comply with the following duties is prejudicial to us. These duties must be performed either by you, or an insured seeking coverage, or a representative of either:

- 1. Give prompt notice to us or our agent;
- 2. Notify the policy in case of loss by theft;



- Notify the credit card or electronic fund transfer card or access device company in case of loss as provided for in E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery and Counterfeit Money under Section I Property Coverages;
- 4. Protect the property from further damage. If repairs to the property are required, you must:
 - a. Make reasonable and necessary repairs to protect the property; and
 - b. Keep an accurate record of repair expenses;
- 5. Cooperate with us in the investigation of a claim;
- 6. Prepare an inventory of damaged personal property showing the quantity, description, actual cash value and amount of loss. Attach all bills, receipts and related documents that justify the figures in the inventory;
- 7. As often as we reasonably require:
 - a. Show the damaged property;
 - b. Provide us with records and documents we request and permit us to make copies; and
 - c. Submit to examination under oath while not in the presence of another insured, and sign the same;
- 8. Send to us, within 60 days after our request, your signed, sworn proof of loss which sets forth, to the best of your knowledge and belief:
 - a. The time and cause of loss;
 - b. The interest of all insureds and all others in the property involved and all liens on the property;
 - c. Other insurance which may cover the loss;
 - d. Changes in title or occupancy of the property during the term of the policy;
 - e. Specifications of damaged buildings and detailed repair estimates;

f.	The	inventory	of	damaged	personal	property
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- g. Receipts for additional living expenses incurred and records that support the fair rental value loss; and
- h. Evidence or affidavit that supports a claim under **E.6**. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money under Section I Property Coverages, stating the amount and cause of loss.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED: _	X*	
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*It is admitted that the insurance policy contains this language (assuming no typographical errors when the policy language was reprinted here). It is denied that all of the provisions are necessarily relevant, or applicable to, this loss.

SECOND REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

After the loss, Amica promptly retained the services of an independent adjuster named John Schumann, who met with the Plaintiffs, took them to dinner, and explained the policy requirements regarding loss presentation.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*
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*It is admitted that Mr. Schumann was retained by Amica the day after the fire, that he arrived three days after the fire, and that he had dinner with the plaintiffs on one or more occasions. It is also admitted that Mr. Schumann explained some of the procedures and requirements relevant to this loss, but it is denied that all relevant procedures or requirements were adequately explained to the plaintiffs.

THIRD REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

Amica's adjuster, John Schumann, wrote a preliminary estimate and submitted it to the Plaintiffs or their representative on or about February 19, 2003.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*	
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*It is admitted that Mr. Schumann wrote an estimate. It is denied that the Bordens or their representatives received a copy of the estimate on or about February 19, 2003. The Bordens believe it was at least a week later than that. It is also denied that the estimate was ever described to the Bordens as "preliminary."

FOURTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

On March 23, 2003, the Plaintiffs' public adjuster, Anthony Parise, submitted a seven page letter to John Schumann setting forth various recommendations concerning the scope of repairs. The response did not, however, address the cost of repairs.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*	
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*It is admitted that on or about March 23, 2003, Mr. Parise submitted a two-page letter attached to which was a five-page report with a list of deficiencies in Mr. Schumann's estimate. Also attached to Mr. Parise's letter and report was Mr. Parise's estimate for repairs at the dwelling, a 55-page document with a detailed cost of repairs reflecting a total cost of repairs of \$680,492.21. Thus, it is denied that the Bordens' representative failed to address the cost of repairs.

FIFTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The applicable insurance contract contained the following provisions which are relevant to the issues herein:

C. Loss Settlement

In this Condition C., the terms "cost to repair or replace" and "replacement cost" do not include the increased costs incurred to comply with the enforcement of any ordinance or law, except to the extent that coverage for these increased costs are provided in E.II. Ordinance or Law under Section I – Property Coverages. Covered property losses are settled as follows:

- (4) For the purpose of settling that loss only, the following applies:
 - (a) Buildings covered under Coverage A or B at replacement cost without deduction for depreciation. We will pay no more than the smallest of the following amounts:
 - (i) The replacement cost of that part of the building damaged with material of like kind and quality and for like use;
 - (ii) The necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged building; or
 - (iii) The limit of liability under this policy that applies to the building, increased in accordance with paragraphs b.(1) and b.(2) of this section.

If the building is rebuilt at a new premises, the cost described in (i) above is limited to the cost which would have been incurred if the building had been rebuilt at the original premises.

- (b) We will pay no more than the actual cash value of the damage until actual repair or replacement is complete.
- 2. Paragraph 1. applies only when loss to the building insured under Coverage A exceeds the Coverage A Limit

of Liability shown in the Declarations. If loss to the building insured under Coverage A does not exceed the Limit of Liability shown in the Declarations, losses will be settled as follows:

- a. Buildings covered under Coverage A or B at replacement cost without deduction for depreciation, subject to the following:
 - (1) If, at the time of loss, the amount of insurance in this policy on the damaged building is 80% or more of the full replacement cost of the building immediately before the loss, we will pay the cost to repair or replace, after application of any deductible and without deduction for depreciation, but not more than the least of the following amounts:
 - (a) The limit of liability under this policy that applies to the building;
 - (b) The replacement cost of that part of the building damaged with material of like kind and quality and for like use; or
 - (c) The necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged building.

If the building is rebuilt at a new premises, the cost described in (b) above is limited to the cost which would have been incurred if the building had been built at the original premises.

(4) We will pay no more than the actual cash value of the damage until actual repair or replacement is complete. Once actual repair or replacement is complete, we will settle the loss as noted in (1)(a) and (1)(b) above.

However, if the cost to repair or replace the damage is both:

- (a) Less than 5% of the amount of insurance in this policy on the building; and
- (b) Less than \$2,500;

we will settle the loss as noted in 2.a.(1)b and 2.a.(2) above whether or not actual repair or replacement is complete.

- (5) You may disregard the replacement cost loss settlement provisions and make claim under this policy for loss to buildings on an actual cash value basis. You may then make claim for any additional liability according to the provisions of this Condition C. Loss Settlement, provided you notify us of your intent to do so within 180 days after the date of loss.
- 4. Personal property of the following types:
 - a. Coverage C; and
 - b. If covered in this policy:
 - (1) Awnings, outdoor antennas and outdoor equipment; and
 - (2) Carpeting and household appliances;

whether or not attached to buildings at replacement cost at the time of the loss.

- 5. The method of loss settlement described in 4. above will also apply to the following articles or classes of property if they are separately described and specifically insured in this policy and not subject to agreed value loss settlement:
 - a. Jewelry;
 - b. Furs and garments:
 - (1) Trimmed with fur; or
 - (2) Consisting principally of fur;

- Cameras, projection machines, films and related articles of equipment;
- d. Musical equipment and related articles of equipment;
- e. Silverware, silver-plated ware, goldware, goldplated ware and pewterware, but excluding:
 - (1) Pens or pencils;
 - (2) Flasks;
 - (3) Smoking implements; or
 - (4) Jewelry; and
- f. Golfer's equipment meaning golf clubs, golf clothing and golf equipment.

Replacement cost loss settlement will not apply to other classes of property separately described and specifically insured.

Ineligible Property

Property listed below is not eligible for replacement cost loss settlement. Any loss will be settled at actual cash value at the time of loss but not more than the amount required to repair or replace.

- a. Antiques, fine arts, paintings and similar articles of rarity or antiquity which cannot be replaced.
- b. Memorabilia, souvenirs, collectors items and similar articles whose age or history contribute to their value.
- c. Articles not maintained in good or workable condition.
- d. Articles that are outdated or obsolete and are stored or not being used.

Replacement Cost Loss Settlement Condition

The following loss settlement o condition applies to all property described in Section I Condition C. Loss Settlement paragraphs 4. and 5.:

- a. We will pay no more than the least of the following amounts:
 - (1) Replacement cost at the time of loss without deduction for depreciation;
 - (2) The full cost of repair at the time of loss;
 - (3) The limit of liability that applies to Coverage C, if applicable;
 - (4) Any applicable special limits of liability stated in this policy; or
 - (5) For loss to any item described in **5.a.-f.** above, the limit of liability that applies to the item.
- b. If the cost to repair or replace the property described in 4. and 5. above is more than \$500, we will pay no more than the actual cash value for the loss until the actual repair or replacement is complete.
- c. You may make a claim for loss on an actual cash value basis and then make claim for any additional liability in accordance with this section provided you notify us of your intent to do so within 180 days after the date of loss.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*	
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SIXTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The fire caused a partial lo	ss to the Bor	dens' home.	
ADMITTED:	<u>X*</u>	DENIED:	X*
*The Bordens are admitted that the	uncertain o	f what defendant w	neans by "partial loss." It is
SEVEN	TH REQUE	ST FOR ADMISSIO	<u>N</u>
Plaintiffs made a claim for	total loss of a	ill personal property	in their home.
ADMITTED:		_ DENIED:	X
On March 11, 2003, Amic representing an undisputed actual can admitted that but the check was a	a sent the E ash value of t X* a check in t described as	he building, less the DENIED: his amount was sen	the amount of \$295,098.92 \$1,000.00 deductible. X* t with a letter of this date,
not appear in the let	s your 51,00	ov deductible." The	e word "undisputed" does
		FOR ADMISSION	
The check set forth in Requesthis was a check submitted in "full ar			otation on it indicating that
ADMITTED:			
*The plaintiffs cann recall the specific lan	ot admit o guage on th	r deny this allegat e check and they do	ion because they do not not have a copy of it.

TENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The Plaintiffs	rejected the	check in the	amount	of \$295,098.92	which	represented	the
undisputed actual cash	value of the	building, les	s the \$1,0	00.00 deductible			

undisputed actual cash value of the	he building, les	s the \$1,000.00 ded	uctible.	
ADMITTED: _				
	unt given the "undisputed"	SIZE Of the less	because it was a g It is denied that the the reasons set for	
<u>ELEV</u> E	NTH REQUE	ST FOR ADMISSIO	<u> </u>	
In March of 2003, Amic	a tendered to	Plaintiffs the sum	of \$39,945.38 as a r	partial
contents payment. There was no				
payment. The Plaintiffs rejected th				
ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:		
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TWELF	TH REQUEST	FOR ADMISSION	<u>√</u>	
Following the fire, Amica p				also
purchased new furniture for the ren				
ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:		
*The plaintiffs lo	ocated the re	ental house and,	with Mr. Schuman	nn's ions

THIRTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

As of mid-April 2003, the repair estimates for the building supplied by insureds' public adjuster and Amica's contractor revealed substantial discrepancies. A meeting was held on April 15, 2003 to discuss the differences. At the April 15, 2003 meeting, the parties were unable to resolve their differences regarding estimated damage.

ADMITTED:	X	DENIED:	
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FOURTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The insurance policy provides for an appraisal in the event the parties failed to agree on the amount of the loss. The appraisal provision states:

E. Appraisal

If you and we fail to agree on the amount of loss, either may demand an appraisal of the loss. In this event, each party will choose a competent and impartial appraiser within 20 days after receiving a written request from the other. The two appraisers will choose an umpire. If they cannot agree upon an umpire within 15 days, you or we may request that the choice be made by a judge of a court of record in the state where the **residence premises** is located. The appraisers will separately set the amount of loss. If the appraisers submit a written report of an agreement to us, the amount agreed upon will be the amount of loss. If they fail to agree, they will submit their differences to the umpire. A decision agreed to by any two will set the amount of loss.

Each party will:

- 1. Pay its own appraiser; and
- 2. Bear the other expenses of the appraisal and umpire equally.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	
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^{*}It is admitted the policy contains this language (assuming no typographical errors when the language was reprinted here).

FIFTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

On May 2, 2003, Amica sent the Plaintiffs a letter invoking the appraisal provision and advising them of the appointment of Mr. Jack Owens as Amica's appraiser. In the same letter, Amica advised the Bordens of its concern regarding their failure to clean up the damage to the basement despite the insurance coverage made available to the Plaintiffs to do so. A copy of the letter of May 2, 2003 is attached as Exhibit 1.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	
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*It is admitted that a letter was sent on the alleged day, and that Exhibit 1 is an accurate reproduction of the letter. The remainder of this allegation is neither admitted nor denied because the letter speaks for itself.

SIXTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

At the point when Amica demanded an appraisal on the building, over two and one-half months had passed since the fire occurred. The Bordens had not provided Amica with a contents claim nor a building estimate from a contractor willing to repair the premises.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*
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*It is admitted that the appraisal demand came on or about May 2, 2003. It is denied that the Bordens had not submitted a contents claim (indeed, Amica had already made an offer on the contents claim), although it is admitted that the contents claim was not yet complete. It is admitted that the Bordens had not provided an estimate from a proposed builder (nor had Amica obtained an estimate from a qualified building contractor, and the policy did not require the Bordens to do so).

SEVENTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

At the point when Amica demanded an appraisal on the building, the basement of the structure where the fire had originated had not been cleaned or repaired.

ADMITTED: X DENIED:	DMITTED:	X	DENIED:		
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EIGHTEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

In response to Amica's demand for an appraisal and notification that Amica was concerned about neglect of the premises following the fire, the Bordens retained counsel who advised Amica that the Bordens were "actively considering the filing of a bad faith cause of action."

ADMITTED:	DENIED:
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*This allegation is neither admitted nor denied because it is inappropriately phrased for a Request for Admission. The retention of counsel was not a "response" to the demand for appraisal, but rather occurred because of the questionable handling of the claim to that point. Numerous letters were exchanged between the parties and it is inappropriate to take language out of context and seek "admissions." Although not stated, plaintiffs presume the defendant is referring to a letter from the Bordens' attorney dated May 22, 2003. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and it is admitted that it was sent.

NINETEENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

In response to Amica's demand for an appraisal, the Bordens appointed their public adjuster, Anthony Parise, as a "competent and impartial appraisal."

ADMITTED: X*	DENIED:
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*As indicated in the Borden's attorney's letter of May 22, 2003, Mr. Parise was appointed as their appraiser. The defendant objected to his appointment, and the Bordens evinced a willingness to reconsider

Mr. Parise's appointment, but the case was eventually resolved before appraisal so no reconsideration was necessary.

TWENTIETH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

Antho	ony Parise's public adj	usting firm had	d previously signe	ed a contract with the Borden
	ed that the public adju			
	ADMITTED:	Χ .	DENIED:	
	TWENTY	IDST DEALT		
In or h			ST FOR ADMIS	
the building.	- 12005, ti	e Flaminis rei	ained a contractor	r to estimate the repair cost of
	ADMITTED:	<u>X</u>	DENIED:	
	TWENTY-SE	COND REQU	EST FOR ADMI	SSION
Amica	requested a copy of th	e estimate pro	vided to the Bord	ens by their contractor.
	ADMITTED:		DENIED:	X*
	Praments contracto	r, which were heir contracte	e submitted to door's estimate. Re	or's estimates obtained by lefendant, but they do not egardless, the Borden's had

rejected by the defendant.

nothing to provide the defendant because the Borden's contractor never reduced his estimate to writing. Moreover, the contractor's estimate was for an amount greater than Mr. Parise's estimate, which had already been

TWENTY-THIRD REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The Bordens did not produce a copy of their contractor's estimate prior to the settlement of the claim.

of the claim.				-	
	ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*	
	*It is admitted the written estimate w	hat no estin vas ever obta	nate was produced, iined. See the respon	but it is den ise at paragra	ied that any ph 22 above.
	TWENTY-F	OURTH RE	QUEST FOR ADMIS	SSION	
The I	Bordens submitted a	claim for co	ntents to Amica in 1	ate June of 20	03, over four
months after			•		,
	ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X *	
	acco, but it is uer	efore that a	ns submitted a detai claim for personal late indeed Ami	nronerty dam	aga had mak
	TWENTY-I	FIFTH REQU	JEST FOR ADMISS	<u>ION</u>	
On or	about August 12, 20	03, Amica s	ent a copy of the re	vised estimate	prepared by
	Sons which included				
	scaping damage was in				
a check in the	amount of \$154,508.9	92 which rep	resented the actual ca	ash value of the	repairs less
	payment of \$295,09				
	ca also promised to				

ADMITTED: X* DENIED: ____

repairs.

*The referenced letter was dated August 13, 2003.

TWENTY-SIXTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

On August 25, 2003, Amica paid the Plaintiffs \$189,438.76 representing a partial payment of the Borden's contents loss. A copy of the letter of August 25th which sets forth the specific breakdown for the payments is attached as Exhibit 2.

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specific break	down for the paymen	nts is attached	l as Exhibit 2.	
	ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	
	*The referenced le	etter was date	ed August 27, 2003.	
	TWENTY-SI	EVENTH RE	QUEST FOR ADMISSION	
On or	about September 9, 2	2003, Amica _l	paid the Bordens an addition	al \$22,959.55 for 30
additional con	tents items.			
	ADMITTED:	X	_ DENIED:	
	TWENTY-E	<u>IGHTH REQ</u>	UEST FOR ADMISSION	
Throug	hout the year 2003	Amico continu		

Throughout the year 2003, Amica continued to pay \$2,000.00 per month in rental for the substitute residence of the Bordens, who did not initiate repairs to the structure.

ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*
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*It is admitted that the Bordens did not initiate repairs until they started demolishing the structure in December 2003. The claim was not settled until April 2004. It is admitted that the house rental was \$2,000.00 monthly beginning in October 2003, but it was \$1,800.00 per month prior to that.

TWENTY-NINTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

On October 30, 2003, the Plaintiffs' public adjuster provided written material in support of their contents claim. This included a claim in the amount of \$94,178.49 and a proposed agreement that depreciation should be applied to the entire contents list on a 25% basis rather than on an item-by-item basis.

ADMITTED:	X	DENIED:	
	o not curr	rently have access to information .	ate to
		JEST FOR ADMISSION	
In January of 2004, the Pla	aintiffs advi	ised Amica that they had decided to demolis	sh the
building instead of repairing it.			
ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	
	an as of De	December 2003 was to demolish the house	and
<u>THIRTY-F</u>	IRST REQU	UEST FOR ADMISSION	
Amica continued paying the	additional l	living expense cost to the Bordens through M	arch
of 2004 – 14 months after the fire or			, arch
ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	
*The claim was not	settled unti	il April 2004.	

THIRTY-SECOND REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The Bordens' claims against Amica were resolved in approximately December of 2003. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a copy of the Release executed by the Bordens. The Release confirms all the payments made to the Bordens by Amica. The amounts paid total \$880,156.34 and are divided by coverage as follows:

Payments

Coverage A – Dwelling Coverage B – Other Structures Coverage C – Personal Property Coverage D – Loss of Use Total Payments to Date	\$472,629.90 1,815.00 364,666.62 41,044.82 \$880,156.34
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ADMITTED:	X*	DENIED:	X*
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THIRTY-THIRD REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

On February 17, 2003, Dr. Borden expressed to John Schumann his concerns about the competence and/or qualification of Brian Seifert of Visions Corporation. Mr. Schumann assured Dr. Borden that he would investigate the possibility of using other contractors, and indicated that Dr. Borden did not have to use Visions.

DENIED:	X*
	DENIED:

*Dr. Borden has yet to be deposed and will explain his recollections at the deposition if asked to do so.

^{*}It is admitted that Exhibit 3 is an accurate copy of the Release, which was signed by the plaintiffs on April 5, 2004. It is admitted that this is an accurate summary of the payments. It is denied that the claim was "resolved" in December 2003. The last contents payment was issued February 27, 2004, and, as noted, the release was signed April 5, 2004.

THIRTY-FOURTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

At no time has Amica offered any payment to the Bordens in full and final settlement of
all claims.
ADMITTED: DENIED:
*This allegation is neither admitted nor denied because the plaintiffs do not understand it. The underlying claim has been settled, fully and finally, with certain payments and an enforceable promise to pay having been made by the defendant.
THIRTY-FIFTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION
Even the request for a policy release which was made after the Bordens had been paid
over \$800,000.00 permitted the Bordens to make an additional claim for repair cost if they
replaced the building and also permitted them to pursue a claim for extra contractual damages.
ADMITTED: X* DENIED:
*The plaintiffs have been provided nothing by Amica other than what the plaintiffs are entitled to from the insurance policy they bought from Amica.
THIRTY-SIXTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION
Jonathan Borden suffered no physical injury as a result of the fire or Amica's handling of
the insurance claim.
ADMITTED: X* DENIED:
*However, Jonathan Borden has suffered emotional distress as a result of both the fire and the defendant's handling of the claim.

THIRTY-SEVENTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

Amy Border	suffered no p	hysical injury	as a result of the fire or Amica's handling of the			
insurance claim.			· ·			
ADM	IITTED:	X	DENIED:			
*However, Amy Borden has suffered emotional distress as a result of both the fire and the defendant's handling of the claim.						
	THIRTY-EI	GHTH REQI	JEST FOR ADMISSION			
			cket financial loss for medical or psychiatric			
treatment of any type	as a result of	Amica's hand	lling of their insurance claim.			
ADMI	ITTED:	X	DENIED:			
THIRTY-NINTH REQUEST FOR ADMISSION Amy Borden suffered no out-of-pocket financial loss for medical or psychiatric treatment of any type as a result of Amica's handling of their insurance claim. ADMITTED: X DENIED:						
The Plaintiffs from Amica, plus cost	retained Giord	ano & Assoc	FOR ADMISSION received at a cost of 8% of all payments received			
ADMI	TTED:	<u>X</u>	DENIED:			

FORTY-FIRST REQUEST FOR ADMISSION

The Plaintiffs engaged Giordano & Associates to act as their public adjuster before any dispute had arisen between the Plaintiffs and Defendant.

ADMITTED:	 DENIED:	x
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of this document was served upon all other parties appearing of record by Overnight Mail sent on May 2, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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